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ABSTRACT

These curriculum materials were designed to assist sixth grade teachers in the delivery of the world regions component of the grade six social studies. Activities engage students in thinking, analysis, and speculation with a blend of process and product exercises. The book is divided into five sections. "Introductory Activities" include: (1) "Brazil-in-a-Suitcase"; (2) "Preparing for the Trip"; (3) "Identifying Mental Baggage"; (4) "Planning the Trip"; (5) "Brazil--A Country Profile"; and (6) "Brazil through the Eyes of PC Globe." Section 2, "The Influence of Geography," contains: (1) "Brazil's Neighbors"; (2) "How Big is Big"; and (3) "Brasilia: Brazil's Capital City." Section 3, "The Cultural Setting," includes: (1) "A Racial Melting Pot"; (2) "Getting By in Portuguese"; (3) "A GE Indian Creation Myth"; (4) "Families in Brazil"; (5) "Games Children Play"; (6) "Futebol"; (7) "Bon Appetit"; (8) "Carnival"; (9) "Mosaics"; and (10) "Pinata." Section 4, "Daily Life," contains: (1) "The Favelas of Rio"; (2) "Rural Life in Brazil"; (3) "Enemies at Large"; (4) "Debt and Developing Countries"; (5) "Your Morning Coffee"; and (6) "The Dilemma of Coffee." Section 5, "The Tropical Rainforest," includes: (1) "Locating the Tropical Rain Forests"; (2) "Natural Resources and You"; (3) "Rainforest Layers and Perspective in Art"; (4) "The Web of Life"; (5) "Rain-forest Nomenics"; (6) "The Disappearing Tropical Rainforest"; and (7) "Saving the Rainforest." The book also contains an eight-item resource section. (EH)

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